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See the examiner's amendment and PTOL-271.

<b>Response to Rule 312 Communication</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 10 January 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

**JEROME JACKSON**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Ryan S. Davidson on 1/31/05.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification on page 3 line 3 change "47" to -7--;

In claim 25 change the dependency to claim 24;

In claim 45 change the dependency to claim 18;

In claim 51 change the dependency to claim 50;

In claim 52 change the dependency to claim 50;

In claim 53 change the dependency to claim 51;

In claim 54 change the dependency to claim 50;

In claim 57 change the dependency to claim 55;

In claim 63 change the dependency to claim 27;

In claim 67 change the dependency to claim 33;

In claim 82 change the dependency to claim 72.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jerome Jackson Jr. whose telephone number is 571 272 1730. The examiner can normally be reached on t-th 9-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tom Thomas can be reached on 571 272 1664. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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**JEROME JACKSON**  
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